

Texas, out of territory now known as Key Common School District in said county; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualifications, powers, duties and authority; authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes; and to issue bonds; providing for an assessor and collector of taxes, and a board of equalization; providing that said Key Independent School District shall assume and discharge any and all bonds and indebtedness constituting valid and binding obligations of Key Common School District No. 15; validating and continuing in force any and all bond and maintenance tax heretofore voted and now in force in said common school district; validating the certain bond issue voted by Key Common School District No. 15; providing that title to any and all property of such common school district shall vest in the trustees of the independent school district hereby created; providing for filling vacancies on the board of trustees; providing for a seal for said district; providing that the board of trustees shall be governed by the general laws of the State of Texas in all matters where this act is silent; repealing all laws in conflict herewith; providing that invalidation by the courts of any section or provision of this act shall not invalidate any remaining provisions hereof, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 11:15 o'clock a. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

HENDRICKS, Chairman.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, February 22, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 309, "An Act constituting Bexar county the Thirty-seventh, Forty-fifth, Fifty-seventh, Seventy-third and Ninety-fourth Judicial Districts; providing for the present judges of the Thirty-seventh, Forty-fifth, Fifty-seventh and Seventy-third Judicial Districts to continue to hold their offices for the respective terms for which they were elected; the appointment of a suitable person by the Governor as judge of the Ninety-fourth Judicial District to hold office until the next general election;

prescribing the jurisdiction of said courts and providing for the election of judges thereof, and for the district attorney of the Thirty-seventh Judicial District to be the district attorney of all of said courts; and providing the terms of said courts, and providing for the empaneling of grand juries in the Thirty-seventh and Ninety-fourth Judicial Districts, and providing that the said grand juries shall return all bills of indictment to the court in which said grand jury was empaneled; and providing that said Thirty-seventh and Ninety-fourth Judicial District Courts shall give preference to the trial of criminal cases; and providing for the manner of transfer and disposition of cases on the docket of said courts and of cases from one district court to another, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 11:15 o'clock a. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

HENDRICKS, Chairman.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

(Thursday, February 22, 1923.)

The House met at 3:15 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Amsler.	Crawford.
Arnold.	Culp.
Atkinson.	Davenport.
Avis.	DeBerry.
Baker of Orange.	Dielmann.
Baldwin.	Dinkle.
Barker.	Dodd.
Barrett.	Downs.
Beasley.	Driggers.
Bell.	Duffey.
Bird.	Dunlap.
Blount.	Dunn.
Bobbitt.	Durham.
Bonham.	Edwards.
Brady.	Faubion.
Bryant.	Fields.
Burmeister.	Finlay.
Cable.	Frnka.
Carpenter	Gipson.
of Dallas.	Green.
Carpenter	Greer.
of Matagorda.	Hardin of Erath.
Carson.	Harrington.
Carter of Coke.	Harris.
Chitwood.	Henderson
Coffee.	of Marion.
Covey.	Henderson
Cowen.	of McLennan.

Hendricks.	Pool.
Houston.	Pope.
Howeth.	Potter.
Hughes.	Price.
Irwin.	Purl.
Jacks.	Quaid.
Jennings.	Quinn.
Johnson.	Rice.
Jones.	Rogers.
Kemble.	Rountree.
Lackey.	Rowland.
Laird.	Russell of Trinity.
Lamb.	Sackett.
Lane.	Sanford.
LeMaster.	Satterwhite.
LeStourgeon.	Shearer.
Lewis.	Shires.
Loftin.	Simpson.
Looney.	Smith.
McBride.	Stell.
McDaniel.	Stevens.
McDonald.	Stewart
McFarlane.	of Edwards.
McKean.	Stewart of Jasper.
McNatt.	Stewart of Reeves.
Martin.	Storey.
Mathes.	Stroder.
Maxwell.	Sweet.
Melson.	Teer.
Merriman.	Thompson.
Merritt.	Thrasher.
Miller.	Vaughan.
Montgomery.	Wallace.
Moore.	Wells.
Morgan	Westbrook.
of Liberty.	Wessels.
Pate.	Williamson.
Patman.	Wilmans.
Perdue.	Wilson.
Pinkston.	Young.

Absent.

Collins.	Robinson.
Fugler.	Sparkman.

Absent—Excused.

Abney.	Morgan
Baker of Milam.	of Robertson.
Carter of Hays.	Patterson.
Davis.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	Winfree.
Turner.	

A quorum was announced present.
Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Hull, for today and rest of the week, on motion of Mr. Jacks.

Mr. Russell of Callahan, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Green.

Mr. Patterson, for today and remainder of week, on motion of Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Collins, for today and tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Purl.

Mr. Hardin of Kaufman, for today, on motion of Mr. Jones.

Mr. Winfree, for today, on motion of Mr. Potter.

Mr. Baker of Milam, for today, on motion of Mr. Baker of Orange.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Davis, for today, on motion of Mr. Jennings.

Mr. Stevens, for yesterday, on motion of Mr. Laird.

Mr. Carter of Hays, on motion of Mr. Potter.

The following member was granted leave of absence on account of committee work:

Mr. Turner, for today, on motion of Mr. Shearer.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Baldwin:

H. B. No. 627, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title 132, Revised Civil Statutes, 1911; Title 14, Chapter 8, Revised Penal Code, 1911; Articles 3879 and 6060, Revised Civil Statutes, 1911; Chapter 76, Acts of the Regular Session, Thirty-sixth Legislature of Texas; Chapter 86, Acts of the Regular Session, Thirty-seventh Legislature of Texas, and Chapter 22, Acts of the First Called Session, Thirty-seventh Legislature of Texas, so as to provide in substance as follows: Providing for the election and qualification of public weighers; providing for bond and oath of office; defining term of office; requiring the county clerk to certify election and qualification to the commissioner; prescribing qualifications and defining duties; providing for appointment of deputies; giving the commissioner supervision over public weighers; providing for form of certificates; providing for approval and testing of weighing and measuring devices; providing for fees of office; providing for seal of office and requiring its use; providing

for certificates; providing who may issue certificates; creating certain penal offenses and prescribing penalties therefor; providing for removal from office and for the filling of vacancies; giving public weighers certain authority; providing for reweighing commodities where a doubt or difference arises as to correct weight; providing for the appointment of public weighers in certain towns, cities and shipping points, by the Governor, and providing for their regulation by the commissioner; providing for bond and for a seal; providing for monthly reports; defining certain terms; repealing certain statutes; providing for putting this act into effect and making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Moore, Mr. Rountree, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Bonham, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Jennings and Mr. Dinkle:

H. B. No. 628, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2245, Chapter 2, Title 40, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, conferring upon commissioners courts the power to fill vacancies in certain enumerated offices, including that of county superintendent of public instruction, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Carter:

H. B. No. 629, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 6, of Chapter 38, General Laws, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, authorizing the Supreme Court to exempt graduates of approved law schools from the necessity of taking examinations as to pre-legal or legal studies and attainments for license to practice law in this State, and declaring an emergency by exempting in addition thereto all those persons who served in the World War who completed the prescribed legal course given by the University of Texas and the Baylor University."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Faubion:

H. B. No. 630, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3879, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, relating to fees of public weighers, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

Senate bill No. 82, to the Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

Senate bill No. 179, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 180, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 210, to the Committee on Municipal and Private Corporations.

Senate bill No. 291, to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

Senate bill No. 220, to the Committee on Common Carriers.

Senate bill No. 313, to the Committee on Education.

Senate bill No. 314, to the Committee on Common Carriers.

Senate bill No. 340, to the Committee on School Districts.

Senate bill No. 345, to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senate bill No. 149, to the Committee on State Affairs.

RELATING TO SENATE BILL NO. 52.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time,

S. C. R. No. 17, Relating to Senate bill No. 52.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the action of the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate in signing Senate bill No. 52 be rescinded and that the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate erase their names from the enrolled bill.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, February 22, 1923.

Hon. R. E. Seagler, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate announces the following as additional members of the Conference Committee to consider House bill No. 168: Senators Bailey and Strong.

The Lieutenant Governor has appointed Senators Darwin, Bowers and

Wirtz to serve on the Text Book Committee provided for in House concurrent resolution No. 4.

Respectfully,
RICHARD BLALOCK,
 Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

RELATING TO AMENDMENT TO FEDERAL CONSTITUTION.

Mr. Stewart of Reeves offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 19, In reference to proposed amendment to the Federal Constitution taxing all forms of municipal, State and National securities.

Whereas, There is now pending before the United States Congress a proposed amendment to the Federal Constitution in words and figures as follows, to wit:

"Article

"Section 1. The United States shall have power to lay and collect taxes on income derived from securities issued, after the ratification of this article, by or under the authority of any State, but without discrimination against income derived from such securities and in favor of income derived from securities issued after the ratification of this article, by or under the authority of the United States or any other State;" and

Whereas, If this resolution were to be submitted to the several States and adopted by them the development of Texas would be very much retarded in that the State and its municipalities and citizens would be compelled to pay a much higher rate of interest on their securities; and

Whereas, We need lower rates of interest rather than higher rates in order to obtain necessary financial aid to further develop our State and its subdivisions;

Now therefore, the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, the Senate concurring, respectfully suggest and request our United States Senators and members of the House of Representatives at Washington, D. C., to oppose this proposed resolution by all proper means and that they will each of them vote against said resolution.

And we further authorize and direct the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to send each of our Senators and Representatives a copy of this resolution and also that a copy be sent to the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives

at Washington, D. C., and that also copies be sent to the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House of each State Legislature in the United States.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Lackey moved the previous question on the resolution and the motion was not seconded.

On motion of Mr. Pope, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

RELATING TO PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time,

Resolution offered by Mr. Rogers relating to proposed legislation.

Mr. Lackey moved the previous question on the resolution and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the resolution, yeas and nays were demanded.

The resolution was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Carson.
 Greer.
 Hendricks.
 Laird.
 McDaniel.
 Pinkston.
 Rogers.

Rountree.
 Stewart
 of Edwards.
 Stroder.
 Sweet.
 Vaughan.

Nays—70.

Amsler.
 Baldwin.
 Barker.
 Barrett.
 Bird.
 Blount.
 Burmeister.
 Cable.
 Carpenter
 of Matagorda.
 Carter of Coke.
 Covey.
 Cowen.
 Culp.
 DeBerry.
 Dielmann.
 Dodd.
 Downs.
 Driggers.
 Duffey.
 Dunn.
 Durham.
 Edwards.
 Finlay.
 Frnka.
 Fugler.

Green.
 Hardin of Erath.
 Harris.
 Henderson
 of Marion.
 Henderson
 of McLennan.
 Hughes.
 Jacks.
 Jennings.
 Jones.
 Lackey.
 Lamb.
 Lane.
 LeMaster.
 Loftin.
 Looney.
 McBride.
 McKean.
 McNatt.
 Mathes.
 Melson.
 Merriman.
 Merritt.
 Miller.
 Moore.

Morgan	Sanford.
of Liberty.	Simpson.
Pate.	Smith.
Patman.	Sparkman.
Perdue.	Stewart of Jasper.
Price.	Storey.
Purl.	Thompson.
Quaid.	Thrasher.
Rice.	Turner.
Russell of Trinity.	Wessels.
Sackett.	Wilson.

Present—Not Voting.

Arnold.	Houston.
Avis.	Howeth.
Bell.	Rowland.
Bonham.	Shires.
Bryant.	Stell.
Chitwood.	Stevens.
Crawford.	Westbrook.
Davenport.	Wilmans.
Fields.	Young.
Harrington.	

Absent.

Abney.	Lewis.
Atkinson.	McDonald.
Baker of Orange.	McFarlane.
Beasley.	Martin.
Bobbitt.	Maxwell.
Brady.	Montgomery.
Carpenter	Pool.
of Dallas.	Pope.
Coffee.	Potter.
Davis.	Quinn.
Dinkle.	Robinson.
Dunlap.	Satterwhite.
Faubion.	Shearer.
Gipson.	Stewart of Reeves.
Irwin.	Teer.
Johnson.	Wallace.
Kemble.	Wells.
LeStourgeon.	Williamson.

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Collins.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	Winfree.
Patterson.	

Mr. Burmeister moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was lost and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

RELATING TO WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Mr. Perdue offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It is most fit that representative bodies pay tribute to the memory of statesmen, warriors, and philanthropists, who are monuments of original greatness in the march of empire; and

Whereas, George Washington, by the purity of his spirit of philanthropy, and by the profoundness of his political wisdom and the sublime courage of his soul, as soldier, statesman and political moralist, is reckoned one of the greatest, if not the greatest, manly character of all time; and

Whereas, There is no surer way to do honor to sages, heroes and patriots than by frequent references to their great life purposes, and to treasure their counsel in our hearts and minds, and to make them the inspiration of our lives; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-eighth Legislature of Texas, on this anniversary day, have the Reading Clerk of the House read in our hearing the farewell address of George Washington to the American people.

The resolution was read second time, and was adopted.

BILLS AND RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills and resolution:

S. B. No. 316, "An Act making an appropriation of the unexpended balance of the American Legion Memorial Sanatorium appropriation; and appropriating for said sanatorium the amount received from the American Legion and Benevolent War Risk Society with authority to use said amount for the sanatorium and to redeem any pledges or obligations to the donors of same in connection with said sanatorium, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 206, "An Act creating the Dilworth Independent School District in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing a board of trustees, and for the election of their successors; investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provided by general law for school districts incorporated for free school purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public

schools in said district; authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for certain purposes; authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy and the assessor to assess and the collector to collect, under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 205, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sheerin Independent School District in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing a board of three trustees, and for the election of their successors; investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provided by general law for school districts incorporated for free school purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public schools in said district; authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for certain purposes; authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy, and the assessor to assess, and the collector to collect, under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 204, "An Act creating the El Carre Independent School District, in Jim Wells county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing a board of three trustees and for the election of their successors; investing said district and its trustees with full powers, privileges and duties as provided by general law for school districts incorporated for free school purposes only; investing the trustees with the control of the public schools in said district; authorizing the levy and collection of taxes for certain purposes; authorizing the commissioners court of said county to levy and the assessor to assess and the collector to collect, under certain conditions, such taxes as the trustees of said school district shall request, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 171, "An Act creating the West Independent School District in the county of McLennan, State of Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; divesting the city of West and the old West Independent School District, as heretofore created, of the control of its public free schools and the title of all property now held and used for free school purposes, and vesting the same in the West Independ-

ent School District as here created and its board of trustees, and providing that all moneys now on hand to be hereafter acquired for school purposes from the sale of bonds or otherwise be delivered by the city of West or the West Independent School District, as heretofore existing, unto the board of trustees of the West Independent School District as here now created; and providing for the assessment and collection of taxes, and for the appointment and election by the board of trustees for a treasurer and other officers; granting power unto said board of trustees to issue bonds and providing for a sinking fund therefor; granting power unto said board of trustees to purchase school sites and to erect, furnish, equip and maintain schools and school buildings within said district, and granting such other powers as are granted by general law to cities and towns incorporated for school purposes only, and providing for an emergency."

S. B. No. 229, "An Act to repeal Chapter 1 of Title 44 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, and all amendments thereto, including Chapter 145, Acts of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Regular Session, and Chapter 14 of the General Laws of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, and Chapter 3, Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, providing for the manner in which State funds shall be kept and deposited; defining the State Depository Board and its powers, and what banks may become State depositories, and the manner and means of selecting, and for the qualification of such State depositories; providing for the distribution of such State funds among such depositories; providing for the extension of time of payment of funds on deposit in State depositories during financial or industrial depressions; and to provide the manner in which State funds shall be kept and deposited; to define the State Depository Board and its powers; creating the Texas Rate Making Board and defining its powers; and what banks may become State depositories and the manner and means of selecting, and for the qualification of such State depositories; providing for the distribution of such State funds among such depositories; providing for the extension of time of payment in general financial or industrial depressions; providing that the unconstitutionality of any

part shall not affect the remaining parts of this act; repealing all laws in conflict, and declaring an emergency."

H. C. R. No. 4, Providing for investigation of Text Book Commission contract.

H. B. No. 428, "An Act to create the Camp Wood Independent School District in Real, Edwards and Uvalde counties, Texas; providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the existing school in said district shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected in accordance with the general laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 427, "An Act to create the Barksdale Independent School District in Edwards and Real counties, Texas; providing a board of trustees therefor, vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the existing school in said district shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected in accordance with the general laws of Texas and declaring an emergency."

ADDRESS BY CAPTAIN LEWIS L. THOMPSON.

Mr. Rogers offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, Captain Thompson of Harris county, formerly a member of the Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh Legislatures, is now on the floor of the House; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be invited to address the House.

In accordance with the above action the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort Captain Thompson to the Speaker's stand: Messrs. Rogers, Cowen and Teer.

The committee having performed their duty, Speaker Seagler presented Mr. Rogers, who in turn introduced Captain Thompson.

Captain Lewis L. Thompson then addressed the House.

Mr. Abney moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow, and the motion was lost.

SENATE BILL NO. 135 ON PASSAGE TO THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as postponed business, on its passage to third reading.

S. B. No. 135, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriation to cover deficiencies in appropriations heretofore made for the support of the State government for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1922, and declaring an emergency."

The bill having heretofore been read second time.

Mr. Davenport raised a point of order on further consideration of the bill at this time, on the ground that the time for the consideration of local bills had arrived.

The Speaker sustained the point of order.

REQUESTING RETURN OF SENATE BILL NO. 52 FROM SENATE.

On motion of Mr. LeSturgeon, the Senate was requested to return to the House Senate bill No. 52 for further consideration.

(Mr. Pope in the chair.)

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Lamb, Senate bill No. 295 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Trinity, House bill No. 592 was ordered not printed.

SENATE BILL NO. 298 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage.

S. B. No. 298, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating, establishing and incorporating Carlson Common School District No. 16 in Hidalgo county, Texas, containing a portion of the territory in Hidalgo county, Texas, heretofore embraced in Panchita Common School District No. 2, describing the metes and bounds thereof, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—104.

Abney.
Amsler.
Arnold.
Atkinson.

Avis.
Baldwin.
Barker.
Barrett.

Bell.	LeMaster.
Bird.	LeSturgeon.
Blount.	Lewis.
Bobbitt.	Loftin.
Bonham.	Looney.
Brady.	McBride.
Bryant.	McFarlane.
Burmeister.	McNatt.
Cable.	Maxwell.
Carpenter	Melson.
of Matagorda.	Merriman.
Carson.	Miller.
Carter of Coke.	Morgan
Chitwood.	of Liberty.
Coffee.	Patman.
Covey.	Perdue.
Cowen.	Pope.
Crawford.	Potter.
Culp.	Price.
Davenport.	Quaid.
DeBerry.	Quinn.
Dielmann.	Rice.
Dinkle.	Rogers.
Dodd.	Rountree.
Duffey.	Rowland.
Dunn.	Russell of Trinity.
Durham.	Sackett.
Edwards.	Sanford.
Faubion.	Shearer.
Fields.	Smith.
Finlay.	Sparkman.
Fugler.	Stell.
Gipson.	Stevens.
Green.	Stewart
Greer.	of Edwards.
Hardin of Erath.	Stewart of Jasper.
Harrington.	Stewart of Reeves.
Henderson	Storey.
of Marion.	Stroder.
Henderson	Sweet.
of McLennan.	Thompson.
Houston.	Thrasher.
Howeth.	Turner.
Hughes.	Vaughan.
Jacks.	Wells.
Jennings.	Westbrook.
Johnson.	Wessels.
Jones.	Wilmons.
Lackey.	Wilson.
Laird.	Young.
Lane.	

Absent.

Baker of Orange.	Lamb.
Beasley.	McDaniel.
Carpenter	McDonald.
of Dallas.	McKean.
Davis.	Martin.
Downs.	Mathes.
Driggers.	Merritt.
Dunlap.	Montgomery.
Frka.	Moore.
Harris.	Pate.
Hendricks.	Pinkston.
Irwin.	Pool.
Kemble.	Purl.

Robinson.	Simpson.
Russell	Teer.
of Callahan.	Wallace.
Satterwhite.	Williamson.
Shires.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Collins.	Patterson.
Hardin	Stiernberg.
of Kaufman.	Strickland.
Hull.	Winfree.
Lusk.	

HOUSE BILL NO. 606 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, H. B. No. 606, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Thirty-eighth and Sixty-third Judicial Districts of the State of Texas; and to prescribe the time, and fix the terms of holding the courts in each of said judicial districts, and to conform all writs and process from such courts to such changes, and to make all process issued or served before this act takes effect, including recognizances and bonds, returnable to the terms of the courts in the several districts as herein fixed and to validate process, and to validate the summoning of grand and petit jurors and juries; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—101.

Abney.	Cowen.
Amsler.	Crawford.
Arnold.	Davenport.
Atkinson.	DeBerry.
Avis.	Dielmann.
Baldwin.	Dinkle.
Barker.	Dodd.
Barrett.	Downs.
Bell.	Duffey.
Blount.	Dunn.
Bobbitt.	Durham.
Bonham.	Edwards.
Brady.	Faubion.
Bryant.	Finlay.
Burmeister.	Fugler.
Cable.	Gipson.
Carpenter	Green.
of Matagorda.	Greer.
Carson.	Hardin of Erath.
Carter of Coke.	Harrington.
Chitwood.	Henderson
Coffee.	of Marion.
Covey.	

Henderson	Purl.
of McLennan.	Quaid.
Houston.	Quinn.
Howeth.	Rice.
Hughes.	Rogers.
Jennings.	Rountree.
Jones.	Rowland.
Kemble.	Sackett.
Lackey.	Sanford.
Laird.	Shearer.
Lamb.	Simpson.
Lane.	Smith.
LeStourgeon.	Stell.
Lewis.	Stevens.
Loftin.	Stewart
McBride.	of Edwards.
McDaniel.	Stewart of Reeves.
McFarlane.	Storey.
McKean.	Stroder.
McNatt.	Teer.
Maxwell.	Thompson.
Melson.	Thrasher.
Merriman.	Turner.
Miller.	Vaughan.
Morgan	Wallace.
of Liberty.	Wells.
Patterson.	Westbrook.
Perdue.	Wessels.
Pope.	Wilmans.
Potter.	Wilson.
Price.	

Absent.

Baker of Orange.	Martin.
Beasley.	Mathes.
Bird.	Merritt.
Carpenter	Montgomery.
of Dallas.	Moore.
Culp.	Pate.
Davis.	Patman.
Driggers.	Pinkston.
Dunlap.	Pool.
Fields.	Robinson.
Frnka.	Russell of Trinity.
Harris.	Satterwhite.
Hendricks.	Shires.
Irwin.	Sparkman.
Jacks.	Stewart of Jasper.
Johnson.	Sweet.
LeMaster.	Williamson.
Looney.	Young.
McDonald.	

Absent—Excused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Collins.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	Winfree.

HOUSE BILL NO. 528 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 528, A bill to be entitled "An Act taking certain territory from Common School District No. 16 of Baylor county and annexing the same to and making it part of Common School District No. 14 of Baylor county, and taking the remainder of the territory of said Common School District No. 16 and annexing the same unto Megargel Independent School District of Archer county, and creating the said Megargel Independent School District into a county line independent school district; conferring upon the same the powers now enjoyed by said Megargel Independent School District, and in addition thereto all of the powers which may be enjoyed or exercised by a county line independent school district; and providing for an election to adjust the territory thus attached to said common school district, and the territory thus attached to said independent school district, as to taxes which may be now levied upon said common school district and upon the property of said independent school district, and for an assumption by the said common school district and by said independent school district, respectively, of the pro rata taxes payable by said added territory on account of any outstanding bond issues which may exist against said common school district and against said independent school district, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—107.

Abney.	Cowen.
Amsler.	Crawford.
Arnold.	Culp.
Atkinson.	Davenport.
Avis.	DeBerry.
Baldwin.	Dielmann.
Barker.	Dinkle.
Barrett.	Dodd.
Bell.	Downs.
Bird.	Driggers.
Blount.	Duffey.
Bobbitt.	Dunn.
Bonham.	Durham.
Brady.	Edwards.
Bryant.	Faubion.
Burmeister.	Finlay.
Cable.	Gipson.
Carpenter	Greer.
of Matagorda.	Hardin of Erath.
Carter of Coke.	Harrington.
Chitwood.	Harris.
Coffee.	Henderson
Covey.	of Marion.

Henderson	Purl.
of McLennan.	Quaid.
Hendricks.	Quinn.
Houston.	Rice.
Howeth.	Rogers.
Hughes.	Rountree.
Jacks.	Rowland.
Jennings.	Sackett.
Jones.	Sanford.
Lackey.	Shearer.
Laird.	Smith.
Lamb.	Sparkman.
Lane.	Stell.
LeMaster.	Stevens.
LeSturgeon.	Stewart
Lewis.	of Edwards.
Loftin.	Stewart of Jasper.
Looney.	Stewart of Reeves.
McBride.	Storey.
McDaniel.	Stroder.
McFarlane.	Sweet.
McKean.	Teer.
McNatt.	Thompson.
Maxwell.	Thrasher.
Melson.	Turner.
Merriman.	Vaughan.
Miller.	Wallace.
Morgan	Wells.
of Liberty.	Westbrook.
Perdue.	Wessels.
Pope.	Wilmans.
Potter.	Wilson.
Price.	Young.

Absent.

Baker of Orange.	Mathes.
Beasley.	Merritt.
Carpenter	Montgomery.
of Dallas.	Moore.
Carson.	Pate.
Davis.	Patman.
Dunlap.	Patterson.
Fields.	Pinkston.
Frnka.	Pool.
Fugler.	Robinson.
Green.	Russell of Trinity.
Irwin.	Satterwhite.
Johnson.	Shires.
Kemple.	Simpson.
McDonald.	Williamson.
Martin.	Winfree.

Absent—Exeused.

Baker of Milam.	Morgan
Carter of Hays.	of Robertson.
Collins.	Russell
Hardin	of Callahan.
of Kaufman.	Stiernberg.
Hull.	Strickland.
Lusk.	

SENATE BILL NO. 295 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to third reading,

S. B. No. 295, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Chapter 4 of the Special and Local Laws of the State of Texas as passed by the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, being 'An Act creating the Tehuacana Independent School District, in Limestone county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees in said district; conferring upon said district and its board of trustees all the rights, powers, privileges and duties now conferred and imposed by the general laws of the State upon independent school districts and the boards of trustees thereof; providing for the election of trustees, and their title and rights to school properties; providing for change in the boundary lines of said district; declaring that all taxes or bonds heretofore authorized by any former school district included within the bounds thereof shall remain in full force and effect; providing for the raising of revenue, issuing bonds, building and maintaining school houses, and organizing and maintaining a high school, and declaring an emergency'; and to restore and re-establish the Tehuacana Common School District, Cedar Common School District, Yarbrowville Common School District, Wolf Creek Common School District, Tehuacana Valley Common School District, and Woodland Common School District, situated in Limestone county, Texas, to the same condition and with the same boundaries occupied by each of said districts before the passage of said act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 588 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 588, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Sections 1 and 5 of Chapter 31 of the Local and Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirty-sixth Legislature at its Second Called Session, entitled 'An Act amending and revising the metes and bounds of the Raymondville Independent School District (formerly in Cameron county but now in Willacy county);' providing that all jurisdiction shall attach to officers of Willacy county instead of Cameron county."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 589 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 589, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Santa Margarita Independent School District in Willacy county, Texas, and defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees therefor; providing for the election of a secretary treasurer, assessor and collector of taxes and all other necessary officers and committees, and prescribing their qualifications; investing said district with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated under the general laws of the State for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 596 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 596, A bill to be entitled "An Act validating a certain issue of schoolhouse bonds aggregating \$5000, bearing interest at 6 per cent per annum, voted by Common School District No. 7 of Lynn county on July 23, 1921; validating the election voting such bonds, all orders of the commissioners court of Lynn county in respect to such election and such bonds, and in addition, all orders levying taxes to support the same, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 620 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 620, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Pontotoc Common County Line School District No. 31 of Mason, San Saba and Llano counties, and placing the same under the management and control of Llano county; defining the powers of said district; providing for election of the first board of trustees of said district; providing for an election to determine whether or not a special school tax for maintenance pur-

poses shall be levied upon the property contained in said district, and to determine whether the several outstanding obligations which may exist against the several territories and the portion of territory of other districts embraced in this district shall be assumed in whole or in part by the property of this district to provide for such indebtedness and pro rata thereof; making alternate provision for the protection of all such indebtedness; abolishing existing school districts wholly included within its boundaries, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 622 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 622, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Spicewood Independent School District in Burnet county, Texas, including the present Spicewood District No. 21 of said county; providing a board of trustees therefor; vesting said independent school district and board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon independent school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas; providing that the board of trustees of the present Spicewood District No. 21 shall continue to act as such until their successors are elected in accordance with the general laws of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

SENATE BILL NO. 135 ON PASSAGE TO THIRD READING.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being Senate bill No. 135, making appropriations for deficiencies, on its passage to third reading.

(Mr. Patman in the chair.)

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. Stewart of Edwards gave notice that he would on tomorrow call up for consideration at that time, House bill No. 97, which bill had heretofore been laid on the table subject to call.

RECESS.

Mr. Henderson of McLennan moved that the House recess to 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Dodd moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion of Mr. Henderson of McLennan prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 4:50 o'clock p. m., took recess to 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY.

(Continued.)

(Friday, February 23, 1923.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Seagler.

SENATE BILL NO. 135 ON PASSAGE TO THIRD READING.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being Senate bill No. 135, making appropriation for deficiencies, on its passage to third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bonham, further consideration of the bill was postponed until 10 o'clock a. m. next Wednesday.

SENATE BILL NO. 42 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 42, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require hotel owners or keepers to post in each room a card or sign stating the price per day for such room; prohibiting any advances in prices within thirty days; compelling hotels to furnish guests with tickets showing prices of rooms; fixing penalty, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 115 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 115, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1591 of the 1911 Revised Statutes of Texas."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 117 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1623 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 118 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 118, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1620 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 136 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 136, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2939 of Chapter 4, of Title 49, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, as amended by Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature, as amended by Chapter 6 of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, as amended by the General Laws of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, Regular Session, Chapter 113, and approved by the Governor on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1921, regulating elections, providing certain qualifications for voters and providing for absentee voting in order that voters may vote who are absent from the State, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

Mr. Rice moved that the House adjourn until 10:20 o'clock a. m. Friday, and the motion was lost.

SENATE BILL NO. 158 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 158, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 33 of the General Laws of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of 1920, denominated 'An Act to create the Ninety-first Judicial District; fixing its jurisdiction and time of holding